

# Probability monads & stochastic dominance

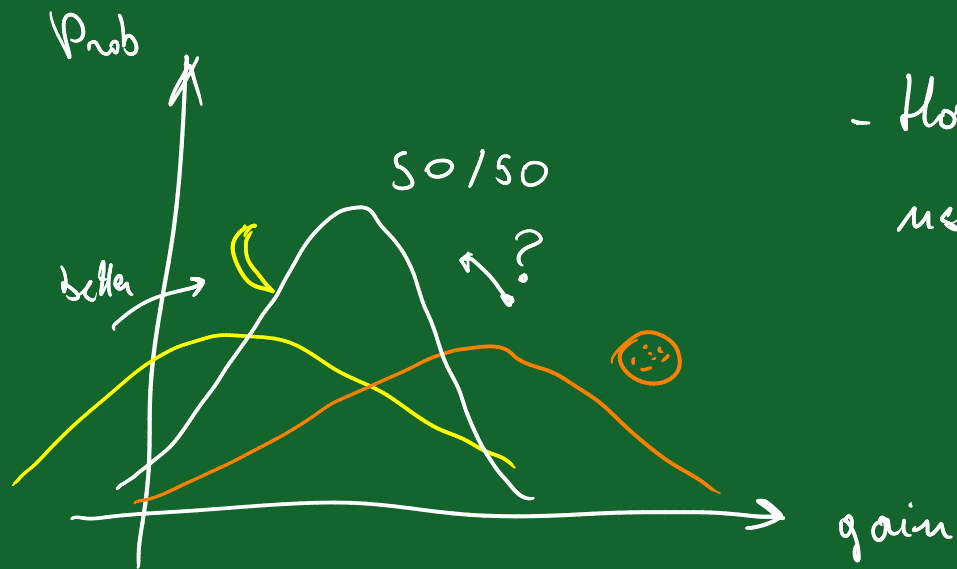
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Stochastic dominance = compare prob. measures.



- How do we talk about this  
using monads?  
PROB.

Random variables vs prob. measures.

Meas, Giry monad.

$$(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) \quad \mu \in \mathcal{P}\Omega$$



$$\mu \longmapsto \underline{f_*\mu}$$

$$\mathcal{P}\Omega \xrightarrow{f_*} \mathcal{P}X$$

$$g_* \downarrow$$

$$\mathcal{P}Y$$

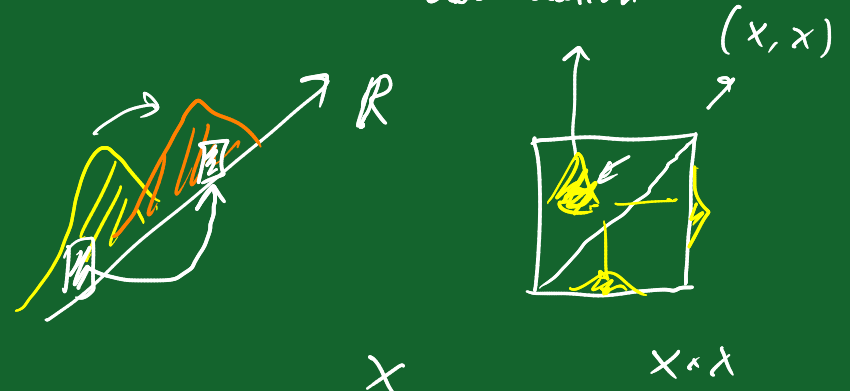
$$\underline{g_*\mu}$$

$$(\underline{f_*}, \underline{g_*})_* \searrow \mathcal{P}(X \times Y)$$

# First-order stoch. dominance

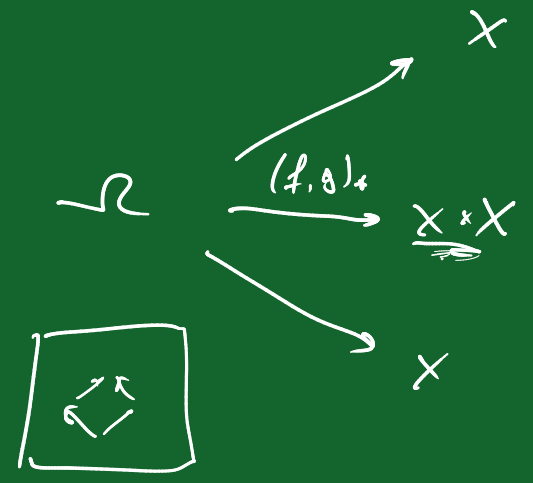
'how much' but randomly.  $\{\leq\} = \{(x, y) : x \leq y\}$   
order relation

$(X, \leq)$  poset  $\rightsquigarrow (PX, \leq)$



$f \leq g$   $\mu$ -almost surely (a.s.)

if  $\underbrace{\{\omega \in \Omega \mid f(\omega) \leq g(\omega)\}}_{\text{has prob. 1.}} \supseteq \text{meas. set of full meas.}$



We can move the mass from  $f_\# \mu$  to  $g_\# \mu$  along the arrows of the order.

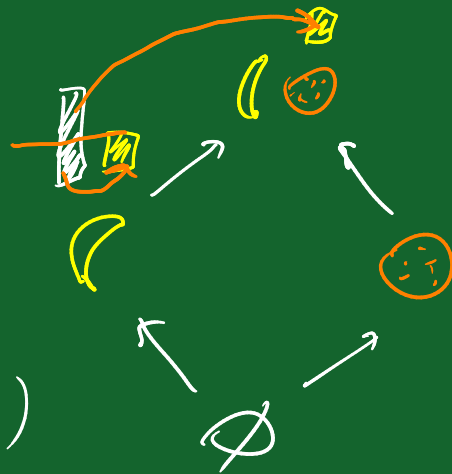
Let now  $p, q \in PX$ .

Def. We say  $p \leq q$  in the stochastic order  
in 1st-order stochastic dominance

if (equivalently): distributions  $(\Omega \xrightarrow{f} X \quad f \# \mu)$

- They are laws of RVs  $f, g$  with  $f \leq g$  a.s.
- They admit a joint which assigns full measure to the order relation.

→ Topological case!

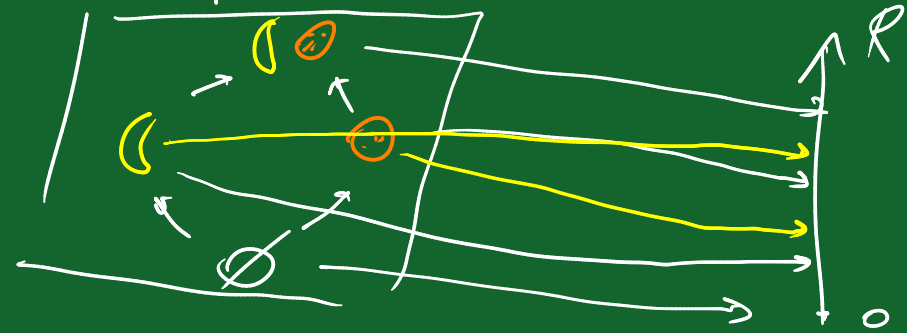


→ 1) Compact Hausdorff spaces, closed partial order, continuous monotone maps

→ 2) Complete metric spaces, 1-Lipschitz monotone maps

+  
order s.t.

$$(x \leq y \Leftrightarrow \forall f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, f(x) \leq f(y))$$



Theorem: Let  $p, q \in \mathcal{P}X$

1)  $p \leq q$  in the stoch. order  $\Leftrightarrow \forall$  cont. mon. map  $X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\int f d p \leq \int f d q$

2)  $p \leq q$  in the stoch. order  $\Leftrightarrow \forall$  1-Lip. mon. map  $X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\int f d p \leq \int f d q$

$\forall$  consistent choice of price,  $p$  is cheaper than  $q$ .

We get prob. monads on these ordered sets.

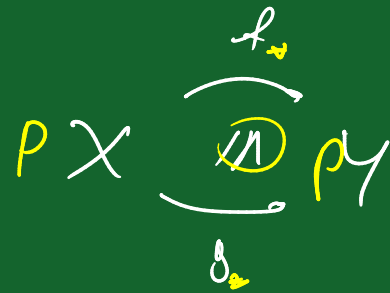
1) Comp. Haus ... Radon monad

2) Compl. met ... (ordered) Kantorovich monad.

Monads : deterministic  $\rightsquigarrow$  random  
 order on  $X$                       order on  $PX$

$$X \xrightarrow{\delta} PX$$

Probabilistic powerdomain ( $\text{DCPO}_1$ )



"P is monad"

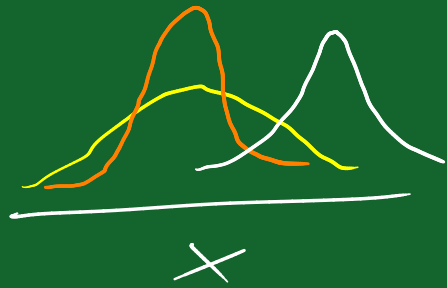
Algebras :

1) compact convex subsets of  
 loc convex top. v. space  
 with a closed pos. cone

2) compact convex subsets of  
 Banach space  
 with a closed pos. cone

Second-order stoch. dominance : how random? - on the same data.

$(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$



Def.  $\Omega \xrightarrow[f]{\mathcal{G}} \mathbb{R}$ , any  $\mathcal{P}$ -algebra

$g$  is a conditional expectation of  $f$

if  $\exists \mathcal{G} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$  s.t.

1)  $g$  is  $\mathcal{G}$ -measurable

2)  $\forall G \in \mathcal{G}, \int_G f d\mu = \int_G g d\mu$

$\Rightarrow$  use partitions!



Let  $p, q \in \mathcal{P}A$ .

2)  $A$  compl. m. space ...  
 $\mathcal{P}$ -alg.

$\mathcal{T} \neq A \in$

$$\mathcal{P}A \xrightarrow{\epsilon} A$$

$$a \mapsto \int a d p(x)$$

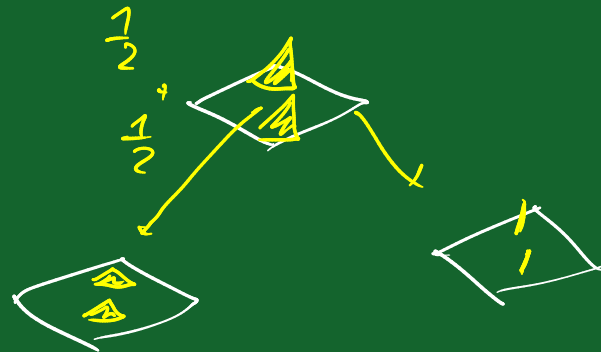
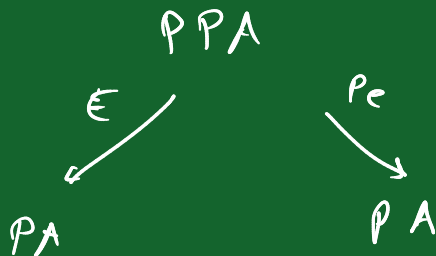


1)  $\exists \Omega \begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{f} \\ \xrightarrow{g} \end{matrix} A$   $f \circ \mu = p, g \circ \mu = q, g$  is a cond. exp. of  $f$ .

2)  $\exists v \in \mathcal{P} \mathcal{P}A$  s.t.

$$\epsilon_r = p$$

$$p \circ (r) = q.$$



3)  $\forall$  map  $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  concave,  $\int f d p \leq \int f d q$ .

optimal morph.  
of algebras.

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(Chapter 4)